

Busy at Love and War

Chapter Three

1. After Tom had finished playing "war" with his friends, he sees Becky Thatcher in front of her house. Describe what happens. Tom starts to "show off" and do gymnastic moves in front of her house. She throws a flower and Tom carefully goes up to it and looks down the street while he picks it up with his feet.
2. What happens when Sid breaks the sugar bowl? When Sid broke the sugar bowl Tom got blamed for it and Aunt Polly whacked him so hard he fell off his chair. Tom was blamed because that was what Aunt Polly said.
3. While Tom is feeling sorry for himself, what does he visualize in connection with Aunt Polly?
With the new girl? Tom visualizes in connection with Aunt Polly that he is dying and she asks for a forgiving word and he turns to the wall and dies. Tom visualizes that the girl might pity him or cry or turn away coldly.

Showing Off in Sunday School

Chapter Four

- 41+42
1. Tom trades various items for tickets. How is a person supposed to earn the tickets and what can eventually be gotten with the tickets? You can earn the tickets by saying verses. You get two blue tickets for one Bible verse. You can get (with the tickets) a Bible.
 2. Why did Tom engage in the "ticket-trading" scheme? Tom engaged in the "ticket-trading" scheme so he could impress the new girl.
 3. What is the meaning of the closing statement, "Let us draw the curtain of charity over the rest of the scene."? The meaning of the closing statement means to stop the humiliation that Tom was going through.

The Pinch Bug and his Prey

Chapter Five

- 55+56
1. Describe the incident in church that makes Tom feel that going to church wasn't so bad after all. The incident in church was when Tom's pinch-bug got loose and a poodle comes in. The poodle bends his nose to the bug and pinches him. The poodle starts yelping and people started to laugh.